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Original Poetry.

THE DEPARTED ONE.

To Miss R. J. C., Brantford, Pa.

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Spring comes, and with it melody and mirth,
The scent of roses on the passing breeze,
And beauty's presence fill'd the throbbing earth
With visions of the hopeful and the fair.
But one shaped mould the hearts of heaven
Came Eden like around our blissful bower,
Her dancing eye that shone like stars of love
Like rays our Spring—set on its sunny throne.
Lived in the radiance of its richest glimmer,
Rolled o'er her heaven as the purest of skies
Bright as the memory of our brightest dreams.
Lighting our way with smiles of sunniness,
Winning and pure as is the first caress,
A mother's love may on the wondrous power
Around the cradle of her heart's best hope was bound
When morning's hour awoke each sleeping rill,
Glad as the melting of a peaceful sky,
It breath'd into each heart an answering thrill
Of happy thankfulness that rested ray
We saw that beauty had a peaceful day,
Nor eyes pure bosom had ever gone softer.

Her step was lightest in the evening dance,
When soft music rolled the heart away,
When all the world seem'd in a blissful trance,
Nor danced a pair more merrily and fleeter
To blast with icy breath in one brief year
A heart and form that had been so cherished
Free from the anger of a sigh of fear.

We left her in the bloom of health to meet
The stern destroyer in her sensibility,
To answer smiles that coldly will us greet
Where all the heart knit world wanted her to shine,
To bear within us home Georgian cold and deep,
And mourn'ries that will never, never sleep,
But not remitted watch and toil—and weep.

We left her, but to meet her here no more,
Her fair form lies in the cold grave of clay,
Her voice is hushed in the sweet tones
That bright eyes sank in death's obscure eclipse
No—not in vain we hold her to our heart,
And feel our pulses wildly, madly start,
To say farewell and part—forever part.

But not forget her—day and night around
Our distant home her spirit seem'd to bend,
Bringing to each and all familiar sound
That used in days of infancy to blend
With the sweet tone of her, so elevated and the rest.
Each sunny glade, each memory haunted spot,
All, all alike can no longer be forgot.

All things seem'll full of her, we sound but brought
To our lone hearts some echo of the past,
And day and night, and night and day wrought
A picture of the home her memory cast—
O'er each bright thought that came as angel grave,
Of Eden's self in hues of peacefulness and love
To find a home within each troubled breast.

But she departed with the Spring's first bloom,
And now she lies in the cold grave of clay,
Entire from all—save from the pall of gloom
Her sad departure left around our memory.
Wishering our hopes just in their budding bent,
When life and sweetness with all their charms
Seem'd cast around her like a tropical flower.

But rest thee, sister—in thy starry home;
We will not mourn for one so fair as you,
For what will thy watching spirit come
Like to a guardian angel to bless us aching brow,
And whisper to me as in days of old
Of women of beauty, and of dreams untold.

W. L. S.

Original Tales.

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A trial occurred some years ago in one of the Courts of Pennsylvania, in which the cruel consequences of such a concession were sadly illustrated. The prisoner was charged with forcibly robbing the mail, and of course his life was in jeopardy. He was defended with great zeal and ability, but the proof against him was overwhelming. One of the principal witnesses for the prosecution was an accomplice, who, to save himself, had turned State witnesses, that this miscreant's story was only needed to complete the chain of evidence. For this purpose he boldly and unblushingly necessary, and unless he received some credit from the jury, it was evident there could be no conviction. His testimony implicated several persons who had not been suspected, and created a great deal of excitement; but it was so consistent in itself, and so strongly corroborated in many points by other witnesses, that it had evidently carried conviction to the minds of the court and jury. The prisoner's counsel exhausted all their arts of ingenuity and of intimidation, without inducing him to vary in the slightest degree from his first statement—and they felt that their cause was hopeless. The truth was that this wretched witness, whose whole life had been established by repeated and crime, who had quenched the last spark of honor, and silenced the last throb of conscience (for he was no repentant sinner) in making up his mind to "turn States' Evidence," and thus save himself at the expense of his companions, had no longer any inducement to falsehood. Truth, in this case, answered his purpose, and he was aware that truth alone was sure of being consistent; he had therefore strictly adhered to it. Such was the position of the case, when the Court adjourned until afternoon.

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BY C. M. KIRKLAND.

The Reverend Sydney Smith makes himself exceedingly merry with the claims which he declares to be habitual among the clergy of his country, to the character of persecuted uninderstood martyrs. From military exploits to fasting for the faith. He says such experiences had always been very puzzling to him, until he remembered that the eight hundredth anniversary of the Church of England, had within a few years, been prosecuted for non-residence. So that the interpretation seemed to be that the reverend gentlemen had made a slight mistake between being persecuted for doing their duty, and being prosecuted for not doing it.

The spark from the anvil of the doughty old Smith, which has kept its triple-barbed flame to our sins of reputation, brought to mind a story which was told in my hearing once, by a lady from Connecticut. The event had not been told and done in New England since Miles Standish's time—an old friend of course. Not a name—not a date—not a place of residence—not a family connection—no one to branch of tree genealogical, is ever wanting in these narrations. And, what is singular, even that rare ingredient, truth, the desiderata to all romances, is always present to give zest to the whole, so that one need never to be afraid to give, suspicion, any of these essential ingredients, even though it be a fantastical court.

The little story I am about to tell is at fourth hand, yet none the less worthy of credence. It comes to the only witness known to New England, and we shall take leave to call it

PARSON THACHER'S DAY.

"When my brother K. was a little boy," said Mrs. ——, "his health was delicate, and he was sent into the country to school, and there he lived at a good old farm-house, one in the real old New England style, of which few specimens now remain. Here in the first cold weather of autumn, the family congregated about the kitchen fire, so as not to disturb the firmer parts which still remained the hearth of the large rooms. The young student from town was accommodated, on one side of the fire, with a little stand on which was placed his tallow candlestick, beside a dip candle with a wick an inch long, for the furtherance of his studies. Not being much disposed by the book under these circumstances, K. was wont to listen to the talk of an ancient dame who sat with a perennial fountain of knitting-work in a high-backed chair on the opposite side of the fire, discovering various hints and cautions upon a young clergyman lately ordained, and hoping he would be "kerried through," all the work that was before him in the ministry of that parish.

The young clergyman, city bred and only a guest at the farm-house, listened with deference and replied very satisfactorily in most of the old lady's remarks; but he could not be made to understand very clearly in what particulars he was likely to find his position more than usually difficult. He did not seem to think that he should be "kerried through," though he said so very modestly.

"Humph!" said the old lady, taking a space knitting needle from her work and, setting it gently under her cap with a reflective air,

"Did you ever hear about Parson Thacher's day, Mr. ——?" My mother could remember Parson Thacher, though he died in 1727. He was a man that had been to school and to college in this country; and that wasn't enough, but he must be sent to the old country, in the custom in them days,) yes, to Leyden, where he studied for the ministry, and not only that, but learning medicine and surgery, and not content with that, studied law besides."

Mr. Z. began to open his eyes at the enumeration of his predecessor's accomplishments.

"Yes," continued the good lady, "and besides, he was a good preacher, and had he could use almost any tool. Well, he came back, and settled in this town and married Theodosia Fa., and she made him a good wife, and they lived very comfortably in their plain way."

"But," said the young clergyman, who began to feel a little confusion was the last to be world pupish, "I can scarcely see how Mr. Thacher's learning could be necessary to prepare his sermons."

He was scarcely seated when a woman of the neighborhood came in, almost breathless, and exclaimed, "Oh, Mr. Thacher!"

"He is in his study, and cannot be disturbed on any account."

"Oh dear!" was the poor woman, "I don't know what I shall do, then, for our best cow's very sick, and nobody can't do nothing to help her. We've had Lorey, the cow-doctor and he can't tell what's the matter with her. What will become of us if we lose her?" Now we shall fall be lost to think of."

"Well, I can't possibly go now, but send word to Mr. Vose not to go to Boston till he sees me. I will call after dinner, and I'll go to the raising."

The satisfied the messenger, and the parson went on with about the "foolish" of his official calling.

Presently a violent rapping with a heavy end of a whip was heard at the door, and a farmer in some other entered off. Inquired for Mr. Thacher. Mrs. Thacher repeated the old excuse, but the farmer was not to be put off so easily. He insisted on the minister's wife going up and telling her husband that a man was below who must see him, being in great haste. Mrs. Thacher complied. Upon this, with many groans, the parson at length made his appearance, and learned that the man's existence had broken under a load of grievances, and he could do nothing without help.

"I will go with you, and do what you require," were her only words.

On their way to the Court House, Harris instructed her what to say, and how to conduct herself. When they arrived, they found that the counsel were already arguing the cause before the jury; but application was immediately made for permission to examine this new witness. It was strongly objected to.

"The witness comes too late," said the counsel for the prosecution. "Why was she not produced at the proper time? We thought that we had an opportunity to inquire into her character; but now the investigation has been regularly closed, and I protest against its being re-opened."

"This is the lady who was spoken of yesterday," said Harris, "and if there was any other lady here it would not ask you to do so. But as your motives will be pure, and the consequence, to save innocent men from an unjust punishment, what would otherwise be wrong, becomes under these circumstances, an act of heroic virtue. The witness who now comes forward is the only one who can clear me from the charge was unfounded, and that he would be honorably acquitted.

"On the contrary, madam," said Harris, "the charge is very clearly proved, and the universal opinion is that he will be found guilty."

"Surely that is not your opinion; you know him, and you do not believe him guilty of this crime?"

"Madam," said Harris, "I have here the notes of one of the counsel, whom will explain every thing."

He then read from these notes, (which he had borrowed for the purpose of corroborating his story,) the account of the acts which appeared to leave no doubt of the prisoner's guilt. Mrs. Duncan reiterated her expressions of astonishment at the same time. She was afraid of the charge

"I am sorry to add, madam," continued Harris, "that there is another part of this affair which concerns you and us still more nearly?" He then read from the notes that part of the testimony which implicated themselves and Duncan.

"Madam," said Harris, drawing his seat closer to hers, and lowering his voice to a confidential whisper, "I am extremely sorry to say any thing that may alarm you, or wound your feelings. But you must summon up all your resolution, for it is necessary that you should hear and understand me. You do not believe that your husband, or that we could ever have committed this infamous crime. Yes do us no more than justice. Morally we are as innocent as yourself. But a freak of folly has placed us all in a dangerous position. I will

HAIR DYE

Spanish Life.

EL COLL DE BALAGUER.

A Modern Catalonian Story.

FROM CHAMBERS' JOURNAL.

The road from Barcelona to Valencia passes over the skirt of a wooded and rocky ridge, known by the name of El Coll de Balaguer. The ascent is steep on the north side, and the Coll on the other; and at one point especially, where there is an elbow or projection of the cable, is of considerable extent, which appear to have become detached from the mass, and to have taken up the wrong way upwards, and that he was standing to take up the cable with the reverse side of the spoon. Antonio maintained that he had seen the cable in a vision, and at this trifling matter a most violent quarrel arose. It is the most frequent cause of many other savage quarrels, the origin thereof was not only insignificant, but groundless: for a person who accidentally sees a thing in a dream, was not, and to whom the matter was referred, could not be a competent witness in any case in dispute, that both sides of the spoon were alike, and nearly flat.

Three days after this absurd contention between Vencenzo Linares and his brother-in-law Dobs, the latter was found lying dead, with a deep wound in the abdomen, on the road near the Coll de Balaguer.

During the year 1832, a troop of strolling players had been performing with great success at Tarragona one of those Autos Sacramentales, or sacred plays, which excite great interest among the Spanish people, inasmuch as they always represent the miracle played with great exactness, aided by scenic illusion, of some of the most remarkable and exciting events recorded in the sacred writings. Among the characters to be personified and represented on the stage apparently in all their terrible reality, the unconscionable circumstances at which the company had enacted with so much éclat at Tarragona was, The Beheading of St. John the Baptist; and in the hope of receiving the usual good fortune at Tortosa, they departed from the direct road which leads from the latter to the road which passes by the Coll de Balaguer.

The baggage, wardrobe, and other theatrical equipments of the company, were laden upon several mules, but the actor, one Fernando Garcia, who performed the part of St. John, preferred to carry one part of his costume himself.

Fernando Garcia was a short man, which was a main point for the effective representation of the principal character in the auto sacramental, and was also a good actor, especially in the scene of the beheading of St. John the Baptist, a bonafide, or leathern skin cap, was placed on the head of the actor of low stature, and sufficiently large to be closely fixed, by means of a spring, a false head imitating the head of a man, and the actor's dress was so arranged as to reach above, and cover the false head. The actor wore only the false one, which being struck off by the executioner on the stage, and placed apparently bleeding on a charger, had a most appalling and exciting effect upon the spectators.

New Fernando Garcia could not make up his mind to confide this precious colour, or head, to the common carriers, or mules of the theatrical success, to the care of a muleteer; for it was one of the most valuable, as well as most important articles the features painted and coloured with the most consummate skill.

That baleful system having at length been resisted in the most determined manner by the men of the Spanish people, the majority of its agents and abettors had either fallen in the various encounters between the constitutional forces and those of the Army of the Faith, or had emigrated to France, Italy and other countries, whilst considerable numbers dispersed themselves in the provinces and mountains of Spain, where they were generally regarded with suspicion and hatred, not unmingled with fear, in spite of their present position: for they knew the indelible stamp of beings who had been in the habit of perpetrating crimes of the very deepest dye, either in the dungeons of the Inquisition, or elsewhere but the monsters in human form who tortured their victims in secret could bear their shrieks for mercy or in discussing with the Army of the Faith had under its command, were, however, not cowardly, the whose words, actions, or even looks, could be distorted or misinterpreted so as to be made the subject of a suspicion.

This Vencenlas Uriate's habits were expensive; but the supine wisdom in favor in the military supplies was unknown: and although he had received all the usual forms of religion with scrupulous exactitude, and had, on that account, gained a certain reputation for piety in some quarters, he was generally looked upon as a dangerous man, from his own conscious experience, fearfully indicating that he was familiar with crime, ranged his ripe in unfounded comments; and he was very unpopular to the most furious bursts of passion in altercations with his associates, his vengeful glances causing the bystanders to tremble less they should be the object next to the direct of violent and tragical manner. Nor were their fears groundless; although the final blow may not be struck in their presence. The following anecdote will serve to illustrate this.

Some one having asked him how it was that he escaped a shot, he so seldom went out for a day's exercise without it, he replied, that it is necessary to undergo fatigue. Then, if you shoot it, you must run some little distance to pick it up; and you must alternately walk a long way if you wish to aid it. "Too much better to wait for a man: he comes of his own accord: and when you have killed him, all you have to do is to ransack his *alforjas* [saddle-bags.]

One day, however, he went to shoot wild fowl, accompanied with Antonio Pi Orbe, the contrabandista, or Los Alfaques, which are a cluster of small islands or banks near the mouth of the Ebro, thickly overgrown with tall reeds, and which afford shelter to great numbers of wild ducks and flamingoes. At the close of their day's sport, they entered a fisherman's hut in search of refreshment: but all they could obtain was a salad, cut into very small pieces, and, as is the custom in Catalonia, swimming in a profusion of liquid oddz, composed of water, salt, and vinegar.

Antonio, in helping his companion to some of the salad rather clumsily the roughly-fashioned wooden spoon with the handle which had proclined; for though he seemed to be aware of the cable, he in fact had considered scarcely any to his companion's plate; and Vencenlas insisted that he turned the spoon the wrong way upwards, and that he was endeavoring to take up the cable with the reverse side of the spoon. Antonio maintained that he had seen the cable in a vision, and at this trifling matter a most violent quarrel arose. It is the most frequent cause of many other savage quarrels, the origin thereof was not only insignificant, but groundless: for a person who accidentally sees a thing in a dream, was not, and to whom the matter was referred, could not be a competent witness in any case in dispute, that both sides of the spoon were alike, and nearly flat.

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The robber's guilty conscience raised up the most fatal lies against him; the bloodhound's keener livid, his mouth gaped widely, his parched tongue clove to the palate, and his whole aspect was horrible and terrific. In a minute or two, however, he made another desperate effort to escape; but, although incumbered in all the ragged paths, and agile in surmounting every obstacle when running at full pace, or in rapid flight with his booty, and with no trepidation, that his eloquence, so powerful, he managed amazingly. The honest, industrious John Gray, was dead! The ball had fallen almost at once up to the higher part of the Coil, and for that purpose sought at a short wind; and, as he fell, he cried out, "Oh! but the force of his desperate grasp, and the vitality of his constitution, gave him power to rise, and he fell stabbed, he, in his turn, struck the bloodhound again at the feet of the double-headed constellation, who had hotly pursued him.

"Avaunt, Satan! Touch me not, demonio!" cried John, recognising the sign of the cross. But his exertions had no effect upon the bold Fernando Guerra, or upon St. John the Baptist's head; for the former stood over him with the drawn dagger, crying out aloud at the same time for his comrades by the old name which natives are apt to adopt, and which an English sexton in like position would like calls for a host of demons to carry him to the realms of eternal torment; and the latter kept rolling his eyes frightfully.

The rest of the company hastened to the relief of Fernando on hearing his cries, and found him standing over John with the effect of fright and a smiling countenance. He was bound and taken to the nearest town, where he was searched in presence of the proper authorities. He wore a concave hair-cloth shirt; and there were found upon his person a rosary, a little book of prayers, and a sort of jacket, containing—according to a memorandum on the paper produced—most of which it was wrapped—some of the hair of St. Benedict. But he observed that he created a pendant of highly-tempered steel; and in a pouch were found bullets, each wrapped in a small piece of grained linen, and fitting the caliber. The prisoner also is five charges of fine gunpowder in a flat powder-horn.

The hypocritical and cruel murderer was not released to a state of abject cowardice by what he considered to have been a supernatural interposition, and even said that he was in the mansion of El Call de Salagrar.

"But," said the magistrate, "how could you dare to place the cross in the hands of your victims?"

"It is no great matter," replied the reckless murderer, "to kill the body; but to destroy the soul is an abominable crime! I adorned their hands with crosses, and I prayed fervently that they might be spared some days of purgatory. I placed in their hands, immediately after their death, crosses upon which I had previously consecrated a blessing, in order that, if they were not in a state of grace, they might at all events repulse the devil! But there he is! I see him! I see him now!" he cried, in perceiving that Fernando Garcia advancing with his two hands, in order to show the magistrate how it was that his life had been saved.

"If there be so! Avaunt, Satanos! avaunt!" muttered the wretched assassin, and he fell into a swoon, after some violent convulsions.

He was tried by the proper tribunals, sentenced to death, and executed; and the brave little comedian had reason to rejoice for the remainder of his days at the practical proof which had been afforded of the firm persuasion of the truth of the old saying, that two *cards* are better than one.

It is almost needless to add, that the auto department was witnessed at Tarragona, and other places, with increased interest by the thousands who flocked to the theatre when it was represented, in consequence of the superior part the head had performed in the drama at the Coll de Balaguer, and in bringing to justice the monstrous Venerable Uriarte.

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OUR WEEKLY GOSSIP.

The Post of this day contains an item of intelligence, which is of such a nature that it will most probably have been anticipated in all our readers, except those at points extremely isolated. The death of a man who has filled so large a place in the world's eye as Andrew Jackson died—a man of whom it might be truly said that he could not find retirement,—is an event to fly with the suddenness of electricity. The whole country was prepared by his long illness to hear of it—and yet it fell with shock, as if it had been unexpected.

What mystery is this in our natures? Why is it that we can even hang upon the bedside of a dying friend, and wait and watch the flickering breath, in an agony of expectation that every respiration will be the last, and yet, when death comes, start back and scream, with a degree of that terrified astonishment with which Eve looked upon the pleated eye of Abel! It is a mystery. Life is a mystery—Death a greater. Life can answer our questions, though vaguely—Death is silence.

It is a mystery which all must tempt. It is the one thing sure to mortal beings. It is the certain end to all our journies. No matter whether the hazel breaks or holds, we are hurried more or less.

Hearts like muffled drums are beating
Funeral marches to the grave.

In the words of the Mendelssohn requiem—" Dust unto dust—to this all must !" Do we think of this?

The poet says—"Death loves a shining mark." Providence, in whose hand death is an instrument, when the lofty one is taken, always, seems to the humble, to love, not to honor, are no protection. Death is impartial.

Funereal testimonies to the memory of the departed will be paid every where. It is fitting they should. It is due alike to his memory and to our country. In all this, however, let every one recollect that the honors we pay are due to himself. As surely as men say now of him—*He is dead*—so surely will the same three-tittle words one day find the place of your person and presence upon earth.

Let us live then as dying men—not sinking into slaughtered, but nearing life eternal, remembering that "the night cometh, in which no man can work."

GREAT INVENTION.

The United States Gazette announces an invention, which, if it answer the expectations of its friends, will prove one of the most truly useful of the century. It is a "National Safety Guard," the object of which is to prevent locomotives, cars, &c. from running off the track, and in the event of an axle breaking, to save further damages. Residents to the whole economically. The cost of applying it to railroads already in use will not exceed, we understand, the ordinary expenses of repairs, &c. And on the contrary, will serve to lessen them; besides having a tendency to keep animals off the track. The agent, it is said, can also be continued to oil inside as usual, of course, with perfect safety to life and property.

NEWSPAPERS.

We believe we speak within the bounds of an average degree of justice and Christian charity, when we say that at least six in ten of the newspaper editors and conductors, throughout the length and breadth of this country, are guilty of habitual indirect violations, retailers of astounding facts, and dealers of overwhelming generalities, and of his acute and excellent perception of the good and beautiful in art and in nature, was felt in the general diffusion over the whole land, and in the hearts of thousands by a large circle, to whom his loss will never be repaired.

Mr. Leslie was still, as years are counted, in the prime of life, being only in his 41st. year; and his physical powers had become wasted and reduced by long labor, and by a mind never perhaps to re-manipulate his mind, and render his taste for art more exquisite, and his judgment more severe, by the constant companion of the artists; and had accumulated around him, in the narrow limits to which his circumstances were confined, a collection of works of certs, unexcelled in value by that of any private gentleman in this country. He had just been elected Professor of Drawing at the Royal Arts, a choice which shows the appreciation in which his taste and liberality were held.

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Selected Poetry.

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THE WISH OF THE WEARY WOMAN.

BY MRS. LUCIA H. SOOCHERET.

A dark room, sir, full, blurred by mist,
Or else a room, sir, full of light?
Which would you rather? Which of these?
Which would you rather? Which of these?
Of feathers? Feathers make me sick!
Of feathers? Feathers make me sick!
Of feathers? Feathers make me sick!